A.— **Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Minister for Home Affairs and Agriculture).—(*a*) and (*b*).—

Year	Cost of purchase of imported foodgrains	Amount of subsidy contributed by Government of India	Mysore Government's share of subsidy
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1947—48	3,32,49,632	Nil	1,05,53,652
1948—49	5,22,34,652	66,47,047	99,58,637
1949—50	4,40,86,735	51,01,243	69,37,901
1950—51	3,77,58,318	46,29,451	39,79,627
1951—52	4,64,25,535	Under compilation.	Under compilation.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

Issue Prices of Foodgrains.

Q.—161. **Sri P. R. RAMAIYA** (Basavangudi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of representations made to them that the recent increase in the price of food stuffs in the State is very high;

(*b*) the response of the Government to these representations;

(*c*) whether they have received any reports as to the effect on the black market by the recent increase in the cost of food stuffs in the State?

A.—**Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Minister for Home Affairs and Agriculture).—

(*a*) Some representations have been received but it is difficult to enumerate the exact number.

(*b*) The issue price of wheat has since been reduced.

(*c*) No.

Stoppage of Food Subsidy.

Q. — 185. **Sri A. V. NARASIMHA REDDY** (Bangalore South).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they corresponded with the Central Government to continue the food subsidy;

(*b*) what is the actual deficit by the stopping of the food subsidy by the Central Government;

(*c*) the quantity of wheat and wheat products and millets and milo that the State of Mysore is getting from the Central Government;

(*d*) the reply of the Central Government to continue the food subsidy?

A. — **Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Minister for Home Affairs and Agriculture).

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The amount of subsidy to be met by the State Government for handling the original ceiling quota of 1,50,000 tons of foodgrains on the basis of the rates of supply price fixed from 1st March 1952 with the issue prices as in force prior to 10th April 1952 was worked out to be Rs. 3,30,53,602.

(*c*) According to the original ceiling quota, the State was due to get during 1952:—

80,000 tons of milo,
55,000 tons of wheat and
15,000 tons of rice.

But with the improved local procurement and reduced rates of off-takes consequent upon the increase in issue prices from 10th April 1952, it is under consideration of the Government to ask for a reduction of the ceiling quota.

(*d*) Government of India have declined to continue the subsidisation of foodgrains on the scale in force prior to 1st March 1952.

Plea for Reduction of Issue Prices of Foodgrains.

Q.—300. **Sri K. S. VASAN** (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of ration cardholders in the cities of Bangalore, Mysore, Kolar Gold Fields and Davangere who have not drawn their entire food rations in each period from 10th April 1952, and the number of such cardholders in the same cities who have drawn only a portion of their food rations in the same period;